



SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION urging the Indiana Department of Environmental Management to ensure that faculty, staff, students, and parents are promptly notified when contaminants that are potentially dangerous to the public health are found in the drinking water at their school.

Whereas, The Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) regulates public water supplies in Indiana and is responsible for ensuring that the drinking water is safe for consumption;

Whereas, IDEM is notified of levels of contaminants in drinking water that exceed state and federal standards and must ensure that the public is notified of these incidents:

Whereas, IDEM is also notified of other drinking water contaminants for which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has not yet issued a regulation but has issued a health advisory because the contaminant poses a potentially serious threat to the health of students, staff, and faculty at schools; and

Whereas, IDEM is also notified of other drinking water contaminants for which the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has not yet issued a regulation but has issued a health advisory because the contaminant poses



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a potentially serious threat to the health of students, staff, and faculty at schools: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1	SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate urge the Indiana Department
2	of Environmental Management to ensure that faculty, staff, students,
3	and parents are promptly notified when potentially dangerous
4	contaminants are found in the drinking water at their school.
5	SECTION 2. That the Environmental Quality Service Council
6	established by the Indiana General Assembly consider the issue and
7	provide more specific guidance to IDEM during its 2004 deliberations.
8	SECTION 3. That copies of this resolution be transmitted by the
9	Secretary of the Senate to the Commissioner of the Indiana Department
10	of Environmental Management.



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